

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A liquid-absorbent sheet for absorbing drips oozing from a food, comprising a laminate of a liquid-pervious layer and an underlying liquid-absorbing layer, the liquid-pervious layer having through-holes that serve as liquid guides capable of passing the drips therethrough, the liquid-absorbing layer being capable of absorbing the drips having passed through the liquid-pervious layer, wherein
the contact angle of a drop of physiological saline to the surface of the liquid-pervious layer is at least 35°, and ~~the~~ an electrostatic chargeability of the liquid absorbing layer is lower than that of the liquid-pervious layer, wherein
the liquid-pervious layer is a resin film which is extrusion laminated onto the liquid-absorbing layer and processed to have the through-holes.
2. (Canceled)
3. (Canceled)
4. (Currently amended) The liquid-absorbent sheet as set forth in claim 1, wherein [the liquid-pervious layer is a resin film having a plurality of through-holes formed therein, and] the liquid-absorbing layer is also processed to have holes that communicate with the through-holes of the liquid-pervious layer.
5. (Original) The liquid-absorbent sheet as set forth in claim 1, wherein the liquid-absorbing layer is a liquid-retentive fibrous layer that comprises at least either of natural fibers and synthetic fibers.
6. (Original) The liquid-absorbent sheet as set forth in claim 5, wherein an antistatic agent is applied to the fibers of the liquid-absorbing layer.

